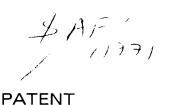
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Randolph A. Stern and Michael N. Byles

Serial No.:

09/558,329

Filed:

April 25, 2000

Art Unit:

1771

Examiner:

Cheryl Juska

Title:

Stitch Bonded Fabric and Fluid-Retaining Fabric

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL OF APPEAL BRIEF (PATENT APPLICATION-37 CFR 1.192)

1. Transmitted herewith in triplicate is the APPEAL BRIEF in this application with respect to the Notice of Appeal filed on September 25, 2001.

2. STATUS OF APPLICANT

[X] other than a small entity

[] small entity

VERIFIED STATEMENT:

[] attached

[X] already filed

3. FEE FOR FILING APPEAL BRIEF

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(f) the fee for filing the Appeal Brief is:

[] small entity

\$160

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[X] other than small entity

\$320

Appeal Brief fee due \$320

4. EXTENSION OF TIME

5.

6.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

| | <u></u> | Fee for Extension of: one month two months three months four months | other than small entity \$ 110.00 \$ 400.00 \$ 920.00 \$1,440.00 | <u>sm.</u> \$ \$2 \$4 | Fee for all entity 55.00 000.00 460.00 720.00 | | |
|---|--|--|--|--------------------------------|--|----------------|-----|
| | | Fee: \$ | | | | | |
| If an extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor. | | | | | | | |
| (check and complete the next item, if applicable) | | | | | | | |
| [] | An extension for months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. | | | | | | |
| Extension fee due with this request \$ | | | | | | | |
| or | | | | | | | |
| (b) | [X] | Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time. | | | | | |
| TOTAL FEE DUE | | | | | | | |
| The total fee due is: | | | | | | | · . |
| | | Appeal Brief fer Extension fee (Total Fee D | if any): | \$320.00 \$ \$320.00 | <i>~</i> | ECEIVE 1700 | |
| FEE | PAYN | MENT | | | | | |
| | [X] Attached is a check in the sum of \$320.00 [] Charge Account No. 23-3000 the sum of \$ | | | | | | |

7. FEE DEFICIENCY

[X] If any additional extension and/or fee is required, this is a request therefor and to charge Account No. 23-3000. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached for that purpose.

and/or

[X] If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. 23-3000. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached for that purpose.

Kurt L. Grossman Reg. No. 29,799

Mov. 26, 2001